

REMARKS

Group II, directed to Claims 2 and 3, has been elected, without traverse.

A single process step has been elected as a species. New Claim 14 is directed to the elected process step.

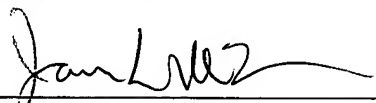
The non-elected claims have been canceled. New Claims 11-15 are each directed to individual process steps that are included in Claims 2 and 3. They therefore do not represent new matter. The applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications on the non-elected subject matter.

This is believed to be a complete response to the Restriction Requirement. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this response, the examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number below.

No fee is believed to be due with this response. However, if a fee is required, please charge the fee to Merck deposit account No. 13-2755.

Please note that the undersigned attorney will be handling future prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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